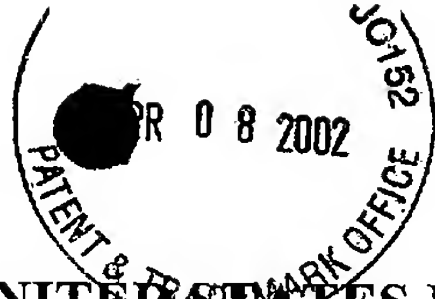


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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takaharu KAWAHARA, et al.

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**FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)**

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Responsive to the notification dated February 7, 2002, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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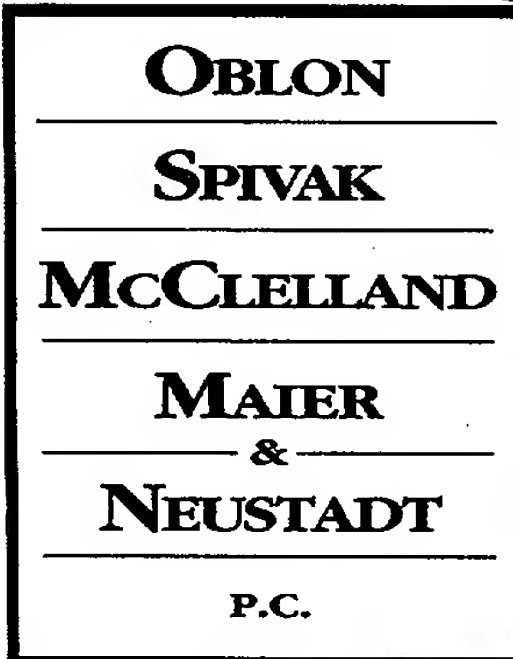


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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Filing of Declaration Under 37 CFR §1.53(f)  
Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition (4 pages executed)  
Return Copy - Notice to File Missing Parts of Application  
Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO Form 1449 (3 pp.)  
Preliminary Amendment w/Marked-Up Copy and Abstract (5 pp.)  
International Search Report (2)  
European Search Report (1)  
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Our check in the amount of \$-0- is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An Abstract not to exceed 150 words in length, commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.72(b)).

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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